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June 18, 2013

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
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Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

49 June 18, 2013

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**AWARD OF VARIOUS PUBLIC WORKS MAINTENANCE SERVICE CONTRACTS
CATCH BASIN CLEANOUT 2013
BALLONA CREEK WATERSHED AND
SANTA CLARA RIVER WATERSHED, ET AL.,
IN VARIOUS CITIES AND UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES
WITHIN THE BALLONA CREEK AND
SANTA CLARA RIVER WATERSHEDS
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 2, 3, AND 5)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to award public works maintenance service contracts and authorize the Chief Engineer or her designee to execute maintenance service contracts for work in various cities and unincorporated communities within the Ballona Creek and Santa Clara River Watersheds, et al.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT:

Award and authorize the Chief Engineer or her designee to execute maintenance service contracts and establish the effective dates following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bonds and insurance certificates filed by the contractors for the following:

- Project ID No. FMD0003155 – Catch Basin Cleanout 2013, Santa Clara River Watershed, et al., to clean approximately 10,600 catch basins in various cities and unincorporated communities within the Santa Clara River Watershed, to Clean Environmental, Inc., in the amount of \$148,294; and
- Project ID No. FMD0003156 – Catch Basin Cleanout 2013, Ballona Creek Watershed, to clean

approximately 8,700 catch basins in various cities and unincorporated communities within the Ballona Creek Watershed, to Elizabeth Castro dba, Universal Maintenance Company, in the amount of \$113,100.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval of the projects from the Board, acting as the governing body of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD), to award the maintenance service contracts and establish the effective contract dates following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bonds and insurance certificates filed by the contractors for these projects.

On April 9, 2013, Agenda Item 35, and April 2, 2013, Agenda Item 40, the Board approved the projects; adopted the plans and specifications; called for bids to be received on May 14, 2013, and April 30, 2013, respectively; and instructed the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise the projects.

The project descriptions, call for bids and bid opening dates, tabulation of bids, and financial information are included in the enclosures for each respective project. The certified record of receipt of bids and the original bid proposals for each project are also enclosed.

The recommended award of maintenance service contracts are necessary to execute Board directed and approved Department of Public Works projects in support of operational missions. The Board's approval of the recommended contract awards and the subsequent execution of the contracts will ensure the timely completion of the projects.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). Awarding these contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected cities and communities.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These actions will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The enclosure for each project includes the amount of the recommended contract as compared with the engineer's estimate, the other bids received, and more detailed fiscal and financial information.

Sufficient funds for Project ID Nos. FMD0003155 and FMD0003156 are included in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Flood Control District Fund Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract agreements will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel. The recommended contracts were solicited on an open competitive basis and are in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County requirements. The contractors are in compliance with the Chief Executive Officer's and the Board's requirements.

The award of these contracts will not result in unauthorized disclosure of confidential information and will be in full compliance with Federal, State, and County regulations. These contracts contain terms and conditions supporting the Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County of Los Angeles' Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; Local Business Enterprise Preference Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.204; and the standard Board directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the LACFCD to award maintenance contracts to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, which is defined as the firm that: (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the LACFCD to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation including, but not limited to, licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the LACFCD to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure the contracts are awarded to responsible contractors with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the LACFCD, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by each respective contractor was considered before making this recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for these projects and are on file with Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Each of these projects was found to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act at the time the Board called for bids. The specifics of these findings are included in the enclosure for each project.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The contracts were solicited on an open-competitive basis in accordance with the provisions of the State Public Contract Code.

To further increase contractor awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, these projects were listed on the County website for upcoming bids. Public Works will review and approve the Faithful Performance and payment bonds filed by the contractors.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

These maintenance service contracts will result in improved public works infrastructure in the cities and communities where the work is scheduled.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide
Contract Compliance)

AWARD OF CONTRACT
June 18, 2013

PROJECT ID NO. FMD0003155 – Catch Basin Cleanout 2013, Santa Clara River Watershed, et al., (in various cities and unincorporated communities within the Santa Clara River Watershed), Supervisorial Districts 3 and 5.

TYPE OF WORK: Cleaning of approximately 10,600 catch basins.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: April 9, 2013 (Agenda Item 35)

BID OPENING DATE: May 14, 2013

BID SUMMARY:

Low	+Clean Environmental, Inc. 321 East 47th Place Los Angeles, California 90011 (323) 695-6975	\$148,294.00
2	+Ron's Maintenance	\$159,000.00
3	+Kitano Construction & Engineering Services	\$166,950.00
	+LSBE	

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$148,400.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$148,294.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 106.00

The amount of recommended contract is 0.07 percent below the estimate.

Sufficient funds for this project are available in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Flood Control District Fund Budget.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

On April 9, 2013, Agenda Item 35, the Board found this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 50 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in July 2013 and be completed in September 2013.

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AWARD OF CONTRACT
June 18, 2013

PROJECT ID NO. FMD0003156 – Catch Basin Cleanout 2013, Ballona Creek Watershed, (in various cities and unincorporated communities within the Ballona Creek Watershed), Supervisorial Districts 2 and 3.

TYPE OF WORK: Cleaning of approximately 8,700 catch basins.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: April 2, 2013 (Agenda Item 40)

BID OPENING DATE: April 30, 2013

BID SUMMARY:

Low	Elizabeth Castro dba, Universal Maintenance Company 160 East Gage Avenue Los Angeles, California 90003 (323) 229-2945	\$113,100.00
2	+Kitano Construction & Engineering Services	\$152,250.00
3	+Ron's Maintenance	\$165,300.00
4	+J & G Maintenance Service, Inc.	\$168,954.00
	+LSBE	

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$156,600.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$113,100.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 43,500.00

The amount of recommended contract is 28 percent below the estimate.

Sufficient funds for this project are available in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Flood Control District Fund Budget.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

On April 2, 2013, Agenda Item 40, the Board found this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 55 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in July 2013 and be completed in September 2013.

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